

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Were there not qualified graduates from the unrepresented communities?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I explained what the Government did.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Whether any step has been taken by the Government to give representation to unrepresented communities? That is the question.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Nothing very much with regard to these three appointments.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Has not the Government shown special favour to favoured communities?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No. I explained that from the very first.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—In the list of persons applied, there is one P. K. Kumaran. Is he not in the service?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—He is only a Registrar.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Was it the consideration of the Government in making these appointments that due preference should not be given to unrepresented communities?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No. I have already said what I have to say with regard to these appointments. Nothing more can I add.

Income-tax Officers—selection of.

369. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(a) whether the Government had given any covenant or promise in writing or entered into any contract to the effect that any one in the service would be entertained in the Income-tax Department, if and when organised; and if so, mention their names;

(b) whether any one in the service before being selected for any appointment in the Income-tax Department had acquired any training or experience in the Income-tax Department; and if so, give their names, mentioning the training or experience they had acquired;

(c) whether any one in the service before being selected for any appointment in the Income-tax Department had acquired any special qualification in the theory and practice of Income-tax; and if so, give their names with their qualifications;

(d) if there has been no covenant, promise or contract as referred to in sub-division (a), why did the Government select any one from those in the service for holding any appointment in the Income-tax Department without calling for applications;

(e) if the answer to the former part of sub-division (b) is in the negative, why did not the Government advertise and call for applications from those who are in the service as well as

those who are not in the service for all the appointments excluding the Commissioner of Income-tax in the Income-tax Department and select those having adequate training or experience;

(f) if the answer to the former part of sub-division (c) is in the negative, what steps have been taken by the Government to select candidates having the best training or qualification in the theory and practice of Income-tax for all the appointments in the Income-tax Department?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) No. The latter part of the question does not therefore arise.

(b) No. The latter part of the question does not therefore arise.

(c) No. The latter part of the question does not therefore arise.

(d), (e) and (f) The Member is referred to the answers given to sub-division (c) of question No. 365 and sub-divisions (c), (d) and (e) of question No. 398.

Income-tax Department—advertisement for appointment.

370. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the permanent Diwan had given any promise, made any remark or notes or sent any letter to the effect that applications would be called for the appointments in the Income-tax Department; and if so,

(b) whether applications were called for all the appointments, save that of the Commissioner of Income-tax, in the Income-tax Department; and if not,

(c) why was it not done;

(d) what difficulty the Government had in calling for applications for all the appointments in the Income-tax Department?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) No such record is forthcoming.

(b) No.

(c) and (d) The Member is referred to the answer to sub-divisions (c, d and e) of question No. 368.

Copy of order of appointment of Income-tax Officers.

371. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to place on the table the Proceedings by which the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner for Income-tax came to be appointed?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The notification No. 103 dated 8th June 1933 ordering the appointments of the Commis-